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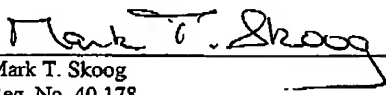
Dear Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 4, 2004. Without acquiescing to the statements made therein, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I (claims 1-33) with traverse for prosecution in the instant application. Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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